

Minutes Board Meeting of the Simulation Society of Scandinavia (SIMS)

Monday September 26, 2002, Oulu, Finland

Board members present at the meeting:

Peter Fritzson	Linköping University, Sweden
Kaj Juslin	VTT, Finland
Esko Juuso	University of Oulu, Finland
Anne Catherine Elster	NTNU, Trondheim
Kim Sörensen	Aalborg Industries AS Denmark
Bernt Lie	Telemark University College Porsgrunn, Norway
Brian Elmegaard	Technical University of Denmark

1. Opening of the meeting

The chairman Peter Fritzson opened the meeting.

2. Approval of the quorum and announcement of the Board meeting

The participants unanimously approved the quorum of the meeting and that the meeting has been announced properly

3. Approval of the agenda

The Board members unanimously approved the agenda.

4. Approval of the minutes from the previous Board meeting

The Board members unanimously approved the board meeting minutes from 020426.

5. Election of a member for approval of the minutes of the Board meeting

Kim Sörensen was unanimously elected to check and sign the correctness of the minutes of the board meeting together with the chairperson.

6. Report from each national organization members Norway, Denmark, Finland and Sweden

- An NFA report was given by Anne Catherine Elster and Bernt Lie. A SIMS chapter within NFA. Need to improve information about simulation, better web-page, local page in Norway. 8-10 members in SIMS chapter.
- A FinSim report was given by Esko Juuso. Now more than 150 members. 2-day seminar in March on a Ferry, 42 participants. Topics: design and optimization, dynamic simulation, intelligent simulation, training, education, discussions. An active group. Planning meeting in Aug for the automation society. Organization of the SIMS conference. More than 80 participants. 34 papers are in the proceedings. A few more (too late) were submitted. A conference surplus will be generated.
- A MoSiS report was given by Peter Fritzson. A local chapter of MoSiS established in Östergötland, MoSiSÖ. Several meetings of MoSiSÖ in Linköping, with presentations. Planning for a conference, the VR-forum, (Virtual Reality and simulation Forum) November 5-7:th, in Linköping. The next international Modelica conference will be organized, Nov 3-4, in Linköping, by Peter Fritzson. Seminar in Stockholm by MoSiS.

- A DKSIM report was given by Brian Elmegaard. Still 2 members, contact network of 20 companies, approx. 60 people. Activities: Danish simulation day, August 30th, 20 people, talks from COMSOL, Danish defense research, Stochastics, workshops on Modelica and Energy systems. Web page established www.dk-sim.dk.

7. Future SIMS activities

- Decided to introduce a direct address for the SIMS www page, scansims.org (or scan-sims.org if that is not available).
- Conference organization and review system for the next conference. Need better peer-review of papers instead of abstracts?

Abstracts are mostly used for marketing the conference. Full papers should be peer reviewed, abstract required. Short papers/short talks or posters for rejected or non-peer reviewed papers, put in separate proceedings or in a special section.

- The board also discusses that the future conference committees should select a few paper for journal publication and have an agreement with an established simulation journal (SIMPRA). Suggest which papers should be selected from SIMS'02.

8. Next board meeting

The date for the next meeting has to be decided later.

9. Any other business

No other businesses were registered.

10. Closing of the Board meeting.

The Chairperson closed the meeting.

The minutes of the meeting are correctly recorded:

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(Peter Fritzson, the Chairperson of the meeting)

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Anne Catherine Elster, the Secretary of the meeting)

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(Kim Sørensen, for approval of the minutes of the meeting)